

### Comment on Passing Events

From Uruguay comes word that the Socialist groups in that country have consolidated into a single party. They have elected a Socialist to the Uruguay parliament.

The California Outlook tells its readers it has come to stay. Judging from an item it prints in its issue of April 15 about Milwaukee, I should say that it had also come to lie.

One thing is certain, that that rioting in the champagne districts of France will not cause much anxiety on the part of the working class of America. It is the work-the-working-class class that must be expected to worry over such a matter.

Organized labor in Los Angeles made a painstaking investigation of the Los Angeles Times explosion and found that it was clearly due to gas. But such a verdict could not be expected to suit a man of the Otis stripe or his detectives.

The Rev. Father Gasson, S. J., in an address in Boston, used these words: "The only true Socialists, anyway, are members of religious orders of the Catholic church." If that be true, why this effort to oppose Socialism from just this quarter?

The plan of paying members of parliament a salary is being discussed in England. This will be distinctly in the favor of the ordinary people who may be elected M. P.s. The old parties are suggesting that \$2,500 a year would be a nice salary, but the Socialists insist that \$1,000 is ample.

"It is difficult for even an educated and intelligent person to make any kind of showing on the wrong side of a great question like Socialism," writes a correspondent, and the truth of this observation will undoubtedly strike everyone who has wasted time in reading the attacks that the enemy fires at us.

It ought to be stated, for the benefit of the average reader of daily newspapers, that the owner of the Cleveland Leader, which published a special edition, full of falsehoods, about Milwaukee, for distribution from house to house in the cities of Ohio, is Dan Hanna, son of the late Mark Hanna. Hanna is well known as a would-be Socialist killer.

Capitalism and capitalist party vote buying has so hopelessly demoralized the residents of Vermillion county, Ill., that the grand jury at Danville has thrown up the sponge and quit. With tears in his eyes the foreman of the jury said "What can we do against the combination of grafting, vote-buying politicians? The sheriff and deputies laugh at us and won't even serve our subpoenas. The only square man in the court house was the judge, and he admits that the fight is lost." Human beings are not naturally crooked and capitalism CAN change human nature, as these facts show.

Simply abominable was the kidnapping of the Structural Iron Workers' secretary. Such an official was at hand when wanted, and did not have to be pounced upon as a desperado. And the law and the bill of rights has agreed that any accused man shall have the fullest right to defend himself and to protect his rights as a citizen.

The hurrying of McNamara out of Indiana to prevent him from protecting his rights through legal advice, etc., not only shows the ferocity of the Gen. Otis type of big capitalist union hater, but also shows the utter lawlessness of the big detective

At the time of its adoption, no one considered the constitution of the United States anything but a miserable piece of patch-work—a stupid imitation of the English constitution—which had to be amended a dozen times before it could be adopted by the thirteen original states. It really satisfied nobody.

However, by and by it dawned upon the southern slave barons that they could hide behind this constitution to defend black slavery. They were right about that, and it took a terrific war to patch up and amend once more what had been poor patch-work to begin with.

After the war the growing capitalist class, which for a while had been very well satisfied with the constitution, found out that, just because the constitution was antiquated and unsatisfactory, the capitalists could make the same use of it for their own ends as did the slave barons for theirs.

So the constitution became a blessed and holy document once more. It was again, in the seventies and eighties, the fetish of every lawyer and every school teacher.

Only it was then the northern fetish. The fervor of the south had been rather chilled by the "nigger amendments" as the result of the war.

However, the south has found a way to get around these amendments. And the unthinking of the north and the south unite in doing reverence to a poor makeshift which tried to combine the constitutional ideas of Montesquieu with the archaic conception of an executive with despotic powers, as borrowed by Hamilton from the English constitution.

But the intelligent men of all classes during the last twenty years have become convinced that our constitution must be changed. Not only the proletariat and the middle class demand this, but even the plutocrats admit it.

Only men who, Rip Van Winkle-like, have slumbered in a sleepy hollow of conservatism, seem to know nothing about this necessity.

No doubt there were many leading men at the close of the American revolution who were in favor of adopting the British constitution, as they understood it. Only, this being a republic, they were very much more afraid of the people, of the mob, than they would have been in a monarchy. They admitted that.

Therefore they wanted a strong executive, "one that could dare to exercise his powers"—as Hamilton stated it.

That is how we got our kind of a president for the United States. That is also the reason why we have the senate—to represent the wealthy and the better class of our land.

And that is also the reason why we have the "additional check" by the courts.

Everybody was not satisfied with this. Thomas Jefferson, of course, was not.

But even at a much later day Henry Clay compared our presidency to "an elective monarchy—the worst form of old governments."

And he was right, since there is not a monarch in the world, except the czar of Russia, who has as much power as the president of the United States.

He is not only the chief executive, but also a part of the law-making machine—and what part! He counts as much as two-thirds of the house of representatives and the senate combined.

agency—a lawlessness that the law will have to deal with sooner or later.

Trades unionists will note with satisfaction that Congressman Berger has promptly introduced a resolution in congress calling for a federal investigation of the kidnapping affair.

### The Desire for the Daily Is Ablaze—Over Twenty Thousand Dollars Subscribed!—Beer Bottlers' Union Comes Back Again and Machinists Answer with a Broadside—Individual Comrades Are Lining Up for a Great Milwaukee Socialist and Trades Union Newspaper

#### Party Branches Wheel Their Forces Into Field

E. McManigal, spurred the Milwaukee unions on in the work for a Socialist and trades union newspaper. The daily press is the creator of public opinion. To have a favorable public opinion labor must have its own press, hence the splendid response of Milwaukee unions. Before another month every organized trade in the city will have subscribed for bonds, and all joy be theirs when the first issue of the daily presents its electric face.

Great credit is due to the Workmen's Sick and Death Benefit Fund of the United States of America. That organization of great men mostly German, has always responded valiantly to labor's battle cries. They have again shown their true mettle when they heard that the rank and file in Milwaukee needed a daily newspaper to hold its conquered ground. All noble men will have a warm spot in their heart for the members of the Workmen's Sick and Death Benefit Fund. Some of the branches of this society that took bonds are:

Branch 88, Utica, N. Y.; Branch 91, New York city; Branch 245, Glendale, N. Y.; Branch 224, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Branch 221, Pittsburg, Pa.; Branch 188, Cleveland, O.; Branch 62, West N. Y.; N. J.; Branch 26, New Haven, Conn.; and Branch 71, St. Louis, Mo.

Nor is the rank and file of our party on parade. The comrades are

No wonder that even Daniel Webster once said, "The contest for ages has been to rescue liberty from the grasp of executive power. The president carries on the government; all the rest are only sub-contractors. A Briareus sits in the center of our system, and with his hundred hands touches everything, moves everything, controls everything. I ask, is this republicanism? Is this a government of laws?"

And it is also necessary to show what the United States senate was from its beginning, and what it is now.

We all know that it was the stronghold of the slave barons, compelling the solution of the slavery question by force of arms. We all know that it is now the bulwark of the railroad and trusts.

The oil trust, the railway trust, the sugar trust, the steel trust, and every robber concern preying upon the common people, have their representatives in the senate.

Seats in the United States senate were bought, and are bought, almost openly.

The separation into two houses was accepted upon the precedent of the British parliament, and on no real grounds whatever.

Of the original states, at the time of the adoption of the constitution, two had but one legislative chamber each, and the confederation of 1775 had no more. When the proposition was made to divide the congress into two branches, three states, the great state of New York among them, recorded their votes against it, and the delegation of another, Maryland, was equally divided on the subject.

There seems, however, to have been very little discussion of the matter, which was quite overshadowed by the incomparable urgency of the only question—the relative power of the states and the general government—which really was discussed in the convention.

The debates were in secret, and we have but brief notes of them.

It is a notable fact that while the founders of the American constitution were taking up this relic of feudalism and clothing it with formidable power, the English nation was already preparing the forces which were to reduce the house of lords to the secondary position it now occupies. And, as everybody knows, there is now a strong tendency in England to abolish the "upper house" altogether.

However, even the senate is not "in it" as an obstacle to progress and justice when compared with the position our judiciary occupies as an illegitimate part of our law-making body—and in telling the people what they may want and what they may not.

And this monstrous guardianship of the judiciary over the people, dictating to them what is law and what is not, is purely an American institution.

No other nation in the world has it. No other nation in the world would stand for it.

The British constitution, of which ours is otherwise a faithful copy, knows nothing like it.

The germ of the disease was put into our constitution by the conservatives of the type of Alexander Hamilton and had the warm support of all the ex-Royalists. But the disease was developed by the shrewd manipulations of some supreme justices.

The Hamilton clique had created the senate

vestigation of the kidnapping affair. Meantime organized labor has asserted its right to the protection of the law from lawless and voracious slenchs by having the kidnapers arrested for kidnapping, and the principle involved will be forced to an is-

Not long ago Tacoma, which had decided for the bad of government by

commission had its election with the result that one of the commissioners elected was a strong trade union man and a Socialist from the ground up. Now comes word that Seattle has also adopted the "commission form" and also that Robert Hesketh, of the

ten bonds. It will have all summer and fall to pay for them. In most cases a single picnic or entertainment will be sufficient to raise the amount.

No comrade or branch in the state will be on parade till Milwaukee and the state vibrates with the sound of a daily Socialist and labor press. Now for the month of May.

United Lodge No. 66, International Association of Machinists, heard about the strength of the brewers.

#### SUBSCRIPTION FOR BONDS. Milwaukee Social-Democratic Publishing Company \$100,000 in Denominations of \$10 Each

I, the undersigned, do hereby agree to and with the Milwaukee Social-Democratic Publishing Company and with each and all other subscribers, to subscribe and pay for the amount of bonds about to be issued by said Company to the Citizens' Trust Company of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, as trustee, a total of said bonds in the sum of one hundred thousand (\$100,000) dollars; said bonds to be issued in denominations of ten (\$10.00) dollars, interest at the rate of four (4) per cent per annum, payable semi-annually; said bonds to be consecutively numbered and to be paid as follows: One-fifth, sixteen years; one-fifth, seventeen years; one-fifth, eighteen years; one-fifth, nineteen years; and one-fifth, twenty years from date of issue of bonds.

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to take the place of the house of lords. Yet it was still afraid of the common people. It wanted something in the place of the king. And, mind you, not the constitutional king of England either. They wanted the absolute king of the fifteenth or sixteenth centuries, and they got him.

He is our American judge, And this King Judge and his retinue of lawyers is now the distinguishing mark between the American people and all others on earth.

And perhaps the most dangerous judge to the rights of the people is the federal judge. Federal judges are appointed by the president of the United States upon the recommendation of our prominent business men, that is, upon the recommendation of our railroad presidents and millionaire manufacturers.

The federal judge almost invariably is a corporation lawyer. He is appointed for life—and his very environment makes him part and parcel of the American plutocracy.

The federal judge looks down upon the state judiciary very much in the same way as the regular army looks down upon the militia.

Every federal judge nowadays is an enemy of our democratic institutions and an adversary of the common people. Every federal judge becomes a regular fiend when he has to decide questions regarding the rights of the laboring class.

The federal judiciary of the United States is the last resort of the corporations, railroads and all kinds of plutocratic evil-doers in their attraits. There they can get help and comfort when the legislators, whom they usually own, become frightened at the anger of the people.

There they can get "injunctions" galore, or judge-made law to suit every occasion.

Now, this constitution has never been changed except by bloody war.

It takes a two-thirds majority of congress, and in addition to this, a majority of three-fourths of the legislators of all the states, to change it.

We Socialists want a constitution that can be amended by a majority vote of all the people. The American government is a democracy—at least it pretends to be one. The people ought to rule.

And every law passed by our representatives ought to hold good unless repealed by our law-givers, or rejected by a majority of the people.

In this idea of majority rule—"a wild, visionary, revolutionary farago, unpatriotic to the core, at war with American traditions, principles and instincts!"

However, the capitalists make the fatal mistake of their very existence when they trust to judges and senates to check the will of an enraged people.

An "upper house" which, during a revolutionary period, should resolutely oppose itself to the branch of the legislature more directly representing the excited state of popular feeling, would be absolutely swept away. And consult any history as to what became of the kings and judges in either the English or the French revolutions.

It is the destiny of an "upper house" to become inoperative in the very case in which its effective operation would have the best chance of producing less harm than good. And as to the "judges," they simply cease to exist at the very first outbreak.

Not wanting to be poets they equalled the test with one hundred bonds.

The Beer Bottlers' Union No. 213 is great. It always comes back this time with seventy-five bonds. You can't keep the bottlers down, that is all I got to say; and isn't that enough?

Now comes Brewer's Union No. 9 with fifty bonds. Fifty shots of that sort will scare the capitalist press. You are not alone brewers, there are other crafts in the trenches with you near by.

The Maltster's Union No. 89 caught the fire and goes marching on with thirty bonds. Nobody dare say he never heard of the maltsters.

The Carriage and Wagon Workers tear loose with twenty-five bonds. The automobile cannot heat the carriage and wagon workers by a long shot as yet.

The Engineers and Firemen's Union stands up with a smile that cracks ten bonds. It takes some smiling to do that.

Eau Claire Trades and Labor Council takes a neat little shot at the Milwaukee lars with one bond. It hit nine, boys.

The Coming Nation club entered

On the other hand, John Stuart Mill and other great thinkers point to the conservatism of the great masses when organized and permitted to express their will.

And that is easily explained. We cannot change by legislative act, or acts, the habits and the mode of thinking produced by generations. The greatest force in existence in the cosmic world, as in the history of nations, is the force of inertia. This force, which holds the globe in its place, also prevents unnecessary revolutions.

If any counter-force is advisable, it should rather be in favor of motion than of a standstill.

All that is necessary to give expression to this terrific counter-revolutionary power of inertia would be to give the masses the widest chance to speak their will.

Give the people the full referendum, and God knows, progress will be slow enough. The referendum is the most conservative political power in existence, as the example of Switzerland proves, where it has been in use for years.

And yet the referendum is infinitely stronger than all the senates and all the presidents in the world, because no democratic power is great enough to resist it.

It is said, there must be in a federal government some institution, some authority, some body possessing the veto, in which the separate states, composing the confederation, are all equal.

I confess, this doctrine has for me no self-evidence. The state of Delaware is not equal in power or influence to the state of New York, and cannot be made so by giving it an equal veto in the senate. If a veto is necessary, let the people according to their number in all the states do the vetoing.

The other argument—the necessity of a counterpoise or counterbalance or check against bad legislation—looks a little better. But if one considers it closer, as now practiced, it is even worse. Most good legislation is always opposed in the "upper house"—in the senate—most of the bad legislation always originated there.

If a counterbalance is necessary, let the people be the counterbalance. Let every law stand, unless it is either repealed by the legislature or rejected by a referendum.

If there is any correction to be done in a democracy—then let democracy do it. If there is corrective needed, let democracy provide for it.

Therefore the Socialist platform says: Abolish the senate. Take the veto power away from the president. Abolish the power of the courts to make and unmake laws.

And for a good substitute and the best possible check upon any whimsical or hasty legislation, or even crookedness of the legislators, give us the referendum and the right of recall.

The referendum—that is, the vote of all the people in any country—is stronger than all the senates and presidents and courts in the world.

The best cure for any evil arising from democracy is—more democracy.

Washington.

Washington, April 27.—"What's this?" asked Speaker Clark, in surprise, as Representative Berger and a clerk stepped up to the stand, each carrying monster rolls of paper tied with rope.

"These are petitions from nearly ninety thousand American citizens, asking for the recall of the American troops along the Mexican border," replied Berger. Clark shook his head in amazement and said nothing.

To the newspaper men who flocked around Berger after the presentation of the monster petition, Berger said: "About three weeks ago I introduced a resolution in the house asking the president of the United States to withdraw the troops from the Mexican border, because their presence gave aid and comfort to the government of Diaz and was a continuous threat of interference with the internal affairs of a neighboring and friendly nation, all of which is in direct contradiction to the best traditions of our country."

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# The Cat's Paw

CHAS. EDWARD RUSSELL, in Coming Nation:

It is perfectly well known to all observers who have an opportunity, however slight, to get at the meaning of events that scarcely any move in the vast world game of politics is taken without the direct command of the big money powers.

When the move occurs there is usually a carefully prepared mask of ostensible purpose behind which the real purpose is secretly accomplished. The cable syndicates, the news associations and the press are manipulated to keep the real purpose hidden and the ostensible purpose prominently displayed.

It is not often that a bold step, such as the administration has taken against the Mexican revolutionists at the behest of the world capitalists, is accomplished so openly, so insolently, with so little pretense and sham. The traditional method in this case would have been to work up a popular frenzy in this country against the revolutionists by false accounts of atrocities, of murdered Americans, of tortured women and children, of savage barbarities until public approval of a warlike demonstration could be obtained. In the present instance the demonstration was made first and the campaign of jingoism is now being operated in belated justification.

We may hope some day to get at the real activities behind the scenes that preceded the preemptory order to the Putteer to throw the military force of the United States upon the border.

We may base this hope on the fact that we are beginning to get at the real activities that preceded the last great international capitalist crime—the suppression of the Boer Republics.

A remarkable book has just been published by Sir William Butler, acting governor and high commissioner of Cape Colony during the period immediately preceding the outbreak of the South African War. He shows beyond any shadow of doubt that that war was the result of deliberate capitalist conspiracy, endorsed by the rulers of Great Britain. With exact care and historical accuracy he piles up the proof that for years it had been the purpose of the big money powers and their tools in office to force the Boer Republics into war. He establishes permanently what has been generally believed that the republics were picked out as victims and that nothing they might have done could have saved them from their fate.

One brief extract will give an illuminating detail of the vast plot by which financiers in counting room

# Misrepresenting Milwaukee

(Written for The Herald.)

THE capitalist papers here in Milwaukee, and for that matter some of them throughout the country, are steadily and persistently misrepresenting the Socialist administration. They insist that the Socialists are bankrupting the city.

It is a lie. The city was never in better condition.

They insist that the Socialists have raised the taxes.

It is a lie. The Socialists had nothing to do with it.

They say that the Socialists have enormously increased salaries.

It is a lie. They have even less.

They say the Socialists are putting out the efficient officials and putting Socialists in their places.

It is a lie. We have left the efficient men in every department.

And so on, ad infinitum. Every day; three times a day; morning, noon and night.

Now how do you suppose we are going to meet this sort of thing without a daily paper?

The capitalist papers—nine dailies and many weeklies are steadily building up a wall of prejudice and fanaticism against the Social-Democratic administration. They are systematically misinforming the people and prejudicing them against us.

All this is to be expected of course. We have met it everywhere and always. But now it must be met a thousand times more effectively than ever before. Now we have an added interest at stake.

We must make our position clear. We must make it strong.

That means we must have an up-to-date method of publicity—a daily paper.

CARL D. THOMPSON.

**Demand This Label On All Packages of Beer, Ale or Porter**

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**THE BEER THAT MADE MILWAUKEE FAMOUS**

continued Socialist rule of the city. In the school election the Socialists were brought in direct conflict with the Catholic clergy of the Milwaukee diocese. Mass meetings were held by the Catholics at which the Socialists were denounced; sermons were preached against the Socialists in the churches and the Sunday previous to the election it was stated in the papers that many Catholic pastors advised the members of their congregations to vote against the Socialists and in some instances went so far as to pass around leaflets, accompanied by strict admonition to Catholics to vote the nonpartisan ticket.

"Women in Wisconsin are permitted to vote at the school elections and the strange spectacle was witnessed of priests actively electioneering among their people, bringing carriages loads of Italian and Polish women to the polls.

An Economic Fear

"The antipathy of the Catholics to Socialist doctrine has its origin, I understand, in the manifestoes of European Socialists who have proclaimed that an alliance exists between the church, the aristocracy and the royalty in several of the European countries to keep the so-called proletariat—or the working class—in subjection and so European Socialists have taken the position that the (political) power of the Catholic church must be broken.

"The militant European Socialists are opposed to exempting church property from taxation, as I understand it, and have put themselves openly on record in their antagonism toward the Catholic church to such a degree as to arouse the aversion and hostility of the Vatican. The doctrinaire Socialist of Europe also accepts without reservation the Marxian materialistic view of man's development; that is, that man is almost entirely what he is because of his economic environment, and that if education is put in his head and plenty of food in his stomach, that man will become good naturally, and so under the Socialist condition there will be small need of spiritual guidance."

Here's to them that read,  
Here's to them that write,  
There's none so afraid  
That the truth might be heard,  
As them that the truth would indict.  
—Burns.

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# Tom Johnson! A Good Fighter

By Carl Sandburg

(Written for The Herald.)

TOM JOHNSON is dead. A big, steady, hard-hitting fighter is gone.

His life was a remarkable life. There have been capitalists with many kinds of peculiarities.

But Tom Johnson's peculiarity was one of the rarest and strangest.

He took an old horse car line in Cleveland that was run down and dilapidated, and under his management and his extension of it the line became a flourishing business enterprise. But this was not peculiar. Other traction manipulators have done the same trick.

Tom Johnson, starting with an empty pocket, took his chances and fought away in the game of Big Business till he had piled up a fortune of more than three million dollars. But this was not peculiar. We have over five thousand millionaires in the United States.

The peculiar thing about Tom Johnson was that after he had entered the millionaire class he began to study political economy. And the ideas that he arrived at led him to the declaration that he had gotten his millions by robbery, that the laborer had performed was not worth the big personal wealth at his command.

He began to put this philosophy into practice. He voted in congress to have the tariff knocked off from a protected industry in which he held large shares.

He proposed a three-cent street car fare on all the lines in Cleveland. He was fought in the city council. He was blocked in the courts. He was

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# The Right to Intervene in Mexico

Judson C. Welliver in Washington Times: The advice of our State Department, indicate that a vast majority of the people of Mexico really sympathize with the revolution. People who have had confidential communication with the president and the department came away convinced that something like 90 per cent of Mexicans would like to see the revolution win.

That is a much larger percentage of support than the American Revolution of 1775 was ever able to claim.

Let us see about this. We Americans are in poor position to deny to any people the elemental right of revolution. We became a nation by process of revolution. We are proud of it; vide the Fourth of July orators, school histories, etc.

If it was right and justifiable for us to revolt against a tyrannical government, why is it not right for the people of Mexico to do the same?

Our revolution of 1775 was against a tyranny which, times and conditions considered, was not half so onerous as that of Diaz in Mexico has been.

There is no apparent reason why we had the right to revolt, while that right should be denied to the people of Mexico.

It will not do to say that we must intervene in Mexico in order to restore peace and security. Some things are more important than peace and security. Human rights are among these things.

It will not do to say that Americans have investments in Mexico which must be protected. Dutch, French and Spanish investors had investments in the colonies at the time of the Revolution; but Holland, France and Spain did not interfere to suppress the Revolution. France, indeed, intervened, but it was in the cause of the people, not of the tyranny.

But a still more apt parallel to the Mexican situation may be found in our own civil war. Foreign investments in this country were imperiled. Did any foreign country intervene? No; and why not?

Because the game was too big to look inviting. The Mason and Slidell incident might have induced British intervention, but Britain could not afford to take the chance.

France and Germany went to war forty years ago, and foreign countries and citizens lost property and lives. But none interfered; nobody ever in-

## Recent Socialist Victories

Los Angeles Herald: The success of the Socialists in recent municipal elections appears from the more complete returns to have been numerically greater and more far-reaching than was indicated by the first news. Considered only as political phenomena their victories, near-victories and gains are of importance to all who try to figure on party alignments. If the gains continue at anything like the ratio shown in these contests the political "dope sheets" will need a complete overhauling.

Besides the election of Socialist mayors at Berkeley, Pasadena (Mayor-elect Thum is a Socialist, although he did not run as such), Butte, Mont., and Flint, Mich., it appears that the party carried Fort Scott, Kas.; Girard Kas.; Arma, Kas.; Curranville, Kas.; Neiderland, Cal.; Greenville, Mich.; Wilson, Mich.; Manitowoc, Wis.; Minden, Mo.; Beatrice, Wymore, and Red Cloud, Neb.; Mechanics Falls, Me.; La Porte, Minn.; Krebs, Okla., and several smaller places. But quite as remarkable is the ratio of gains made in some of the cities and towns the Socialists failed to carry:

	1911	1910
Snyder, Okla.	102	25
Blair, Neb.	68	38
Iola, Kas.	371	139
Ann Arbor, Mich.	92	21
Keokuk, Iowa	77	26
Kalamazoo, Mich.	1592	51
Endicott, N. Y.	126	67
Scott, N. Y.	165	3
Mechanics Falls, Me.	100	3
Chicago, Ill.	24700	11000
Hudson, Mich.	23	12
Poplar Bluff, Mo.	340	197
Fort Worth, Tex.	1207	120
Jackson, Mich.	707	350
Bennett, Wis.	30	—
Nashville, Mich.	24	4
Fort Smith, Ark.	55	1

The party also elected one or more officials in Rosedale, Kas.; Columbus, Kas.; Boyne City, Mich.; Kalamazoo, Mich.

## Crowding Out the Capitalist

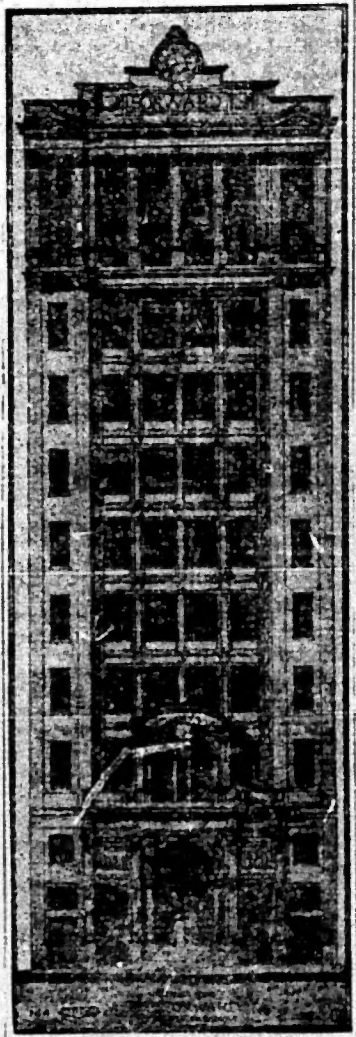
The workingmen and women of Milan, Italy, are carrying on a most remarkable enterprise, according to Odon Por, who writes about it in the Coming Nation for March 11.

The various unions and co-operatives have combined into a federation. This federation then takes the contract for building houses, sewers, streets and even railroads. It pays its members full union wages; does its own managing and always has one of the most complete technical outfits in Italy. Although it has been in existence only three years, it employs 1,500 people throughout the year, and has already done work to the amount of \$1,200,000.

It differs from other co-operatives in that, under no conditions are the profits from the enterprise divided among the individual shareholders. They are used first for purposes of mutual aid, such as caring for widows, orphans and the sick. After these have been provided for, the remainder is spent for propaganda and in assisting other co-operatives who are just starting, or workers who are on strike.

The whole article is a prophecy of what might easily be done in any country where the workers awake to the possibilities of their own powers.

The article, as a whole, is "worth reading, and can be obtained from the publishers at Girard, Kansas, for 5 cents a copy. A year's subscription to the paper costs a dollar.



terferes, except where the combatants are insignificant. The right of a people to have a revolution of their own is their own affair. Both great branches of the Anglo-Saxon race have been devoted to that idea. The American branch can ill afford now to assume censorship over the whole western world, and to reverse this long accepted theory.

Suppose a great revolution breaks out in Russia, as it is certain to do one day. Americans have huge investments there; so have English and French and Germans. Will either country intervene? Certainly not. Russia is too big to be interfered with in such cavalier fashion.

Jefferson told us, and Lincoln endorsed it, that the right of revolution is a fundamental right of the human race. When this nation assumes to deny that, it will repudiate the greatest truths and the noblest deeds in its history.

If 90 per cent of the Mexican people want this revolution to succeed, why should they not be let alone to work out their own salvation? Suppose we Americans had a disagreement about some domestic question that plunged us into internecine war. Would we thank anybody for coming in from the outside and settling it for us?

Suppose, in the case of our own civil war, outside intervention had taken place. It would almost certainly have been on the side of the South. That intervention might have won the case of the South. Would it have been a good thing?

Is any outside intelligence more capable of knowing what a people want, than that people?

It will be a sad day when the American people decide that intelligence can be imposed from the outside; that good government can be handed down from above; that after all a people must not be trusted to judge just what they want.

If the Mexican people want a new deal, a real republic instead of a mockery, and if they want it earnestly enough to be willing to fight and die for it—then they must want it about as much as we wanted our liberties back in 1776. Shall they not have as good a chance as we had? Shall the Sons of the Revolution interfere to deny the rights which their fathers enjoyed?

But we are told that the lives of American citizens are in danger. Very well. The lives of a number of Italian citizens were snuffed out by a mob in New Orleans a few years ago. What happened? Did this country and Italy go to war? No; this government paid and apologized, and it served far better than a war that would have cost more lives, and more payments, and could not possibly have resurrected the original victims.

Then we are told that American investments are at stake. Well, they were made by people who should have understood that they took extra risks in investing in a country like Mexico. They were made in the hope of high dividends, as a compensation for those extra risks.

There are some sixteen millions of people in Mexico. Are they to be denied the rights which we, when we were not yet three millions, held to be inalienable?

The greatest international outrage that has ever disgraced this nation was the conquest of Mexico and the appropriation of a great, rich slice of its territory.

Shall we now rape Mexico again, because the dollar power of the North wants more opportunities for expansion? Will two wrongs of that sort make a right?

Why not let Mexico fight out her own battles?

She is rich enough to pay all the indemnities that may be necessary. Foreign citizens and foreign investors are entitled to no more protection than they would be accorded if Mexico were a first-class power; not one whit more. And if Mexico were a first-class power, able to meet us on sea or land, there would be no suggestion of intervention.

If we intervene, and swallow Mexico, what then? Why, the process of digestion; a process we will never complete. Mexico will do us a thousand times more harm if we conquer it, than if we left it alone.

And we will do Mexico more harm, if we interfere to restore peace to her troubled frontiers, than we could possibly do by letting her settle her own troubles.

We have tried the burden of Cuba and the Philippines. Do we want to multiply that burden by infinity, and then blithely hoist it onto our shoulders?

That is what armed intervention means.

## Why Will They Shoot?

Down in Texas, on the Mexican border, are American soldiers, 20,000 of them. They are marching, drilling, marching. They are going through the motions that go before war, always.

These American soldiers all came from the working class. The Mexican soldiers across the border all came from the working class. It is always the working class that fights the wars for the master class.

Why should there be war at this time? Of what use would it be? Who would be helped? What man, woman or child would be better for war?

Why should these men taken from the working class be led out on the battlefield to shoot and stab and gash each other?

When the working class goes into an offensive war, workingmen fight and kill other workingmen. This is part of what General Sherman meant when he said, "War is hell."

Without offering reason or explanation President Taft and the war department have ordered regular army troops sent to the Mexican border.

Congressman Berger has introduced a resolution demanding that information be furnished by these officials explaining WHY steps toward war have been taken.

## The Humanity of Militarism

The hellish spirit of militarism expressed itself the other day, when the 17th Infantry, sent to the alleged marauders in Texas, heard that they were to be used for actual fighting, and, as the newspaper report testifies, "fairly tore the roof off the barracks with cheers." Think of it! Human beings actually cheering the prospect of being called on to butcher other human beings! It is a sad to think that even the vilest creature living can sink to such horrid depths of infamy. The only excuse for an army is to do a larger sort of police duty, not from pleasure, but for the protection of their country. Imagine the police force cheering the increase of crime, because it gives a prospect of the fun of clubbing and shooting the criminals; or the seavenger rejoicing over an unusual accumulation of filth, to give him greater exercise; or the hospital nurses hilarious over the spread of the pest! There is perhaps nothing quite so horrible on this earth as a man who can actually lust after the blood of his fellowman.—Truth.

## Unprotected Manhood and Womanhood

ACCORDING to Bernard Shaw everything is protected in this country except American manhood and womanhood. Both are not represented politically in our congress. Only predatory wealth is represented. Aldrich will, for instance, see to it that the New England millionaires will become billionaires. His successor, Mr. Lippitt, who complained bitterly that the process of becoming a billionaire was too slow, will take still better care of the poor New England rich. But the New England poor are not represented in congress. They must compete with the poorest of Russia and Austria. They are but manure to the New England millionaire can grow to be billionaires. They are the unprotected manhood and womanhood of our country.

When will the American workman

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## The Judiciary

Law bears the name, but money has the power; The cause is bad when'er the clients' poor: Those strict-lived men that seem above our world Are oft too modest to resist our gold. So justice, like all other wares are sold, And the grave judge that nods upon the laws, Wad'd by a bribe, smiles and approves the cause.

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Is organized labor again the victim of a gigantic police conspiracy, or is it guilty of the monstrous dynamiting crimes that the Burns detective bureau claims? It is certain that somebody used dynamite to destroy the property in question, excepting, of course, the blowing up of the Los Angeles Times building, which was almost conclusively proven to have resulted from a gas explosion. And if, indeed, the detective bureau has captured the actual dynamiters, has it at the same time, for hire, manufactured evidence and circumstances in order to connect the Structural Iron Workers' national organization with the culprits—for this would not be the first time by any means that detective agencies have manufactured evidence in order to get rewards and further employment and business glory and prestige.

That a union of human beings could deliberately plan the blowing up of a big printing plant and the destruction of the lives of innocent workmen is simply unbelievable. The fact that Samuel Gompers, a conservative labor chief with a reputation to maintain, comes out squarely with a charge of jobbery against trades unionism on the part of the Burns aggregation, will indicate to most people that the big labor body concerned will be able to maintain its good name in the trial of the case, as did the Western Federation of Miners at the time its officials were kidnapped out of Colorado in the Stenning affair.

The Survey, in its issue of April 22, pays a glowing tribute to the Milwaukee administration for its selection of William H. Leiserson for municipal reference librarian, and cites his qualifications, his specializations at the Wisconsin university, in the Wisconsin state legislature reference department, on the famous Pittsburgh Survey, as expert on unemployment for the New York commission during which he made an extended investigation throughout the state of New York and a trip through Europe, resulting in the report to the New York legislature and a bill, largely drafted by him, which is now pending. But, alas, the Survey article comes too late, for before it could be got into type the powers of mischief in Milwaukee had invoked the courts on a technicality and had celebrated another victory over the Socialists by crippling their work by court means. The Milwaukee daily capitalist newspapers made poor attempt to hide their satisfaction. No wonder a well-known settlement worker of New York visiting Milwaukee said that he could not realize until he arrived here what daily papers pretending to respectability could do.

We had received a nicely written letter from a "Foreign Speaking Comrade" urging us to boost with all our power the idea of a great May Day celebration in the United States this year. He intimates, or we infer at least, that his wish is to run competition to the legal Labor Day, which comes the first Monday in September. But why should Socialists want to discredit in any way the holiday that Labor has secured as a legally appointed day of rest and fraternization? Moreover, the first day of May in this country usually comes before the settled weather has arrived, unless the season is unusual. In Europe where Labor has no other special holiday May Day is celebrated with great en-

thusiasm and with great parades and meetings. No one can regret such a fine thing. However, it can do the Socialists of the United States little good to show even implied hostility to organized labor by seeking to throw its holiday into the shade, and it is our feeling that it would be much more seemly to all join in making Labor Day a greater event even than it is now. It is not our mission to divide but to secure solidarity in the labor forces against the common enemy.

On another page is given an extract from an interview with a Milwaukee banker published by the Indianapolis Star. Some things in the interview seem to indicate that the banker is himself a Catholic and this gives point to the concluding paragraph of the portion quoted. In it the banker gives as one reason for clerical opposition to Socialism that they fear that Socialism will give the individual so much education and so good a living that the spiritual advisors will be out of work. It is a strange fear, that. It seems to be a case of "the poor we always with us," instead of "the poor we have always with us." It is certainly a lamentable thing if any sect is afraid that man will become good, because becoming so he may cease to require clerics to tell him he ought to be good.

"For the first time in the history of the party the Socialists have elected a member of congress. The Socialist vote in the United States has increased about 80 per cent in the last two years. The time has come when the church should give this movement intelligent consideration. The dream of the Christian and of the Socialist is identical: an opportunity for every one to make the most of himself and of life. The present Socialistic movement is a deep, resolute tide. What causes this tide, and whether it is hearing us, are questions for posterity. The 'Import and Outlook of Socialism' is an attempt to answer these questions. Mr. Mann is an author of large mental grasp and unusual judicial balance. He comes to the subject without prejudice, and presents it in scholarly yet simple terms. His conclusions are rational, and while some of his statements may invite criticism from those who are accustomed to think in certain forms, his work as a whole is bound to win acceptance."—Zion's Herald.

The Russian Socialist organization has gotten out a set of five post cards containing revolutionary pictures. The subjects are as follows: "Blood-Sunday," "The Russian Eagle Rending Finland," "May First," "The Marseillaise," and one containing excellent engravings of Marx, Engels, Liebknecht and La Salle. All are artistically executed and will attract attention going through the mails, or may be used for framing. The price for one set is ten cents, or \$1.50 per hundred, either of one kind or assorted. Orders should be sent to The Russian Agitation Bureau, 205 West Washington street, Chicago, Ill.

Oakland, Cal. At Oakland, Cal., the vote in the primaries, April 10, stood as follows: Republicans, 8,482; Independent, 5,466; Socialist, 5,601. Therefore under the law the Socialist candidates will stand to be voted for at the election it being one of the two highest. 11,000 on party cast only 542 votes in the primary.

## A Picture That Makes You Think—Thousands of Men in America Are Sitting, Wondering, Just As This Man Sits



This man has just been told that he is too old to get the work he asks. Now, although too old to work, he is too young to die, and— Too healthy for the hospital, and— Too self-respecting for the poorhouse, and— Too honest to steal, and, after a life of hard work, not inclined to beg.

JUST WHERE DOES THIS MAN BELONG?

—N. Y. Journal.

### Boston

The event of the National Executive Committee holding its next session in Boston will offer a rare opportunity for propaganda, and full advantage will be taken of it. Every one will want to see and hear Victor L. Berger, our first Socialist Congressman, at the Tremont Temple meeting on May Day, given under the auspices of the Boston Socialist club.

The reception and ball on Saturday, April 29, at Parker Memorial Hall, in honor of the National Executive Committee, will also be a great occasion.

Victor L. Berger and others of the National Executive Committee will be entertained by the Harvard Socialist club, and by the newly formed Boston chapter of the Intercollegiate Socialist society.

With all these good things coming to us, Boston has special cause for satisfaction in the success of the new booklet by James F. Carey, state secretary and member of the N. E. C., "The Menace of Socialism," an answer to Rev. F. Gasson, president of Boston College, whose address this winter, at Ford Hall, on the "Dangers of Socialism" attracted considerable attention.

Over one thousand of the Tremont Temple tickets are already sold, and that with almost no advertising as yet. It is extremely desirable that all tickets should be bought at once and the returns sent in, for the expenses of the meeting have, many of them, to be met beforehand.

Albert S. Perkins.

Makes Appeal to Andrew Carnegie New York, April 22.—Father Cavanaugh, president of the Notre Dame university of Indiana, at the dinner of the Notre Dame club of New York, made a plea that Andrew Carnegie should endow Catholic schools and colleges as well as undenominational ones.

"Mr. Carnegie is defeating his own cause by failing to give to Catholic institutions," Father Cavanaugh said. These institutions are the mainstay of the religious spirit. Nimble intellects and athletic bodies never yet made a people great.

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By a recent referendum, conducted

by the National Polish Section, Comrade Hipolit Bluski, formerly of New Britain, Conn., was elected to the position of National Polish Translator. The work of this organization will be transacted at national headquarters.

### Woman's National Committee Election

The woman's national committee, referendum upon which vote closed April 19th. The seven elected are: May Wood-Simons, Lena Morrow Lewis, Kate Richards O'Hare, May Strickland, Carrie W. Allen, Winnie E. Branstetter, Octavia Floater.

The law of England requires the employer of every workman injured in his service to pay immediately the injured man one-half of his rate of wages until he is able to work again, and in the case of death to pay the heirs three years' salary.

In the recent election A. H. Barth, national committee member of Washington, received 3,303 votes as candidate for mayor in the city of Tacoma. The Socialist vote there in the fall election was 1,668.

### The Blackstone Quotation

[TO THE EDITOR:] In 1865, just 46 years ago, I quoted the extract from Blackstone, written for the Herald by Mr. Larson. It appeared in the Chicago "Workingman's Advocate." Mr. Larson leaves out what to me is the most significant sentence in the paragraph. Blackstone said: (italics mine): "These inquiries, it must be owned are useless and ever TROUBLESOME in commonwealth life. It is well, if the MASS of mankind will OBEY the laws when made, WITHOUT SCRUTINIZING TOO NICELY into the REASONS for making them."

WM. MACON COLEMAN.

Washington

(Continued from last page.)

"If the president felt that the presence of the troops on the border was necessary, then we ask that congress be given the necessary explanation."

"The best proof that my resolution expresses the views of a very large number, and in all probability of the great majority of the people of the United States, lies in the fact that within a remarkably short time I have received nearly ninety thousand signatures to the petition I have in-

troduced today and which expresses the same sentiments."

The petition contained names from every state and territory in the United States excepting Alaska and Delaware. It was signed by 63,285 individuals and by officials of organizations comprising 24,315 members, making a grand total of 87,600. This petition is one of the largest ever presented in congress.

Pennsylvania led with 5,408 names, while Illinois and Ohio each had over 4,000 signatures. New York, Oklahoma and Texas each had over 3,000 names. Wisconsin sent in 1,526 signatures.

Characterizing the United States constitution as antiquated and obsolete, Berger has introduced a resolution in the house proposing an amendment to the constitution which, if adopted, would give congress power to call a constitutional convention. The amendment reads:

"Article XVII. The congress shall have power, by majority vote of both houses, to call a convention for the purpose of revising or amending the constitution."

In support of his proposed amendment to the constitution, Berger said:

"Our present constitution was framed at a time when this nation was born, and when the country had about three million inhabitants. At that time the people were in the main hunters and farmers in arms, with a small merchant class in New York, Philadelphia and Boston and cotton planters in the south.

"There were few or no manufacturers. There were no railroads, no telegraphs, and no telephones. A corporation in those days meant a city."

"Since that time tremendous economic changes have taken place. Steam and electricity have been utilized. Wonderful inventions have been made. The entire economic structure has changed."

"And yet with all these wonderful changes which the framers of the constitution could have not foreseen," declared Berger, "we are still living under a constitution made for hunters and farmers. And what is still worse, the constitution, since its adoption, has been materially changed but once, and that through a terrific war."

"A constitution is a cloak for a body politic and must suit the requirements of the time. There is really no example in history wherein a grown up nation has been compelled to wear the swaddling clothes of childhood as we are."

Berger's constitutional amendment has already become the object of many editorial attacks in the capitalist newspapers. The New York Sun,

WALT WHITMAN, the Poet of the Wider Selfhood. A Study. By Milla Tupper Maynard. Cloth, 145 pages, \$1. postpaid.

It is truly puzzling to tell how he gained his grasp of evolutionary conceptions. Darwin did not publish the "Origin of Species" until 1859. Spencer's first elaboration of any phase of his doctrine was published in the same year in which "Leaves of Grass" appeared. In 1852 Spencer had issued a general statement, but it seems hardly credible that Whitman could have come into contact with so obscure a book. Nevertheless, had he been fully cognizant of every scientific fact and theory discovered or projected up to the moment of publication, his work would be quite as marvelous, so completely has the evolutionary universe become absorbed into his unconscious thought.—Page 33.

SOCIALISTS AT WORK.—Hunter Robert. Cloth (illustrated, with 30 full-page portraits of prominent Socialists), cloth-bound, \$1.50, postage 14 cents; paper cover, 25 cents postage-10 cents extra.

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## New York Grasps Milwaukee's Hand

HE capitalist class can never comprehend the true meaning of the red banner as an emblem. They think, or pretend to think, that it stands for bloodshed and slaughter.

The red color of the Socialist emblem really symbolizes the warm red blood that circulates through the human race, the same life force in us all, in every class or race or nation.

It is, therefore, the emblem of solidarity, of the brotherhood of all humanity.

No wonder the capitalist class cannot grasp this great Socialist idea.

For it is only in the proletariat that we find real solidarity. Only in the working class do we see the true feeling of brotherhood which prompts men of distant cities or distant lands, of different races and opposite creeds, to stand shoulder to shoulder in the great struggle for the economic emancipation of the race.

The examples of this spirit of brotherly sympathy and self-sacrifice are the embodiment of the Socialist red emblem.

Take for instance a recent and beautiful proof of this spirit of Socialist solidarity.

The word was uttered in Milwaukee: We must have a Socialist daily in order to hold Milwaukee for the Social Democracy!

The echo of that watchword was heard by the comrades of the United States and immediately it stirred a chord of sympathy. At once one of the Socialist dailies of New York, the Jewish daily, Forward, called upon its readers to form "Milwaukee clubs" for the purpose of raising funds for the Milwaukee Socialist daily!

Deeply, deeply has this generous act stirred our hearts.

So clearly does it show the bond of fraternal feeling running through the most remote parts of the country and the workings of different languages, different nationalities, even different races.

Here we have a noble example set by Russian Jews, themselves only recently escaped from the iron hand of autocracy and persecution. Many of them have fled to this country with nothing but the clothes they wore. I have visited the bare little homes of some of these refugees and martyrs—homes which no Milwaukee workman would call a home at all. Yet these men are sacrificing for our movement! They are forming "Milwaukee clubs!"

Oh, comrades of Milwaukee! Let this touch the very depths of your hearts!

Let us realize what a precious thing we have in our charge, what a solemn responsibility, how much to the Socialists of America is meant by the Milwaukee movement.

Let us be inspired by the self-sacrifice of our New York brothers to greater devotion for the great cause which makes one of all nations of the earth.

On with the work for the daily!

We must hold Milwaukee—for the hearts of our comrades East and West are bound up in it!

E. H. THOMAS.

## The Builders' Column

By A. W. Mance

## Milwaukee the Battle Ground

### Capitalism Furious, Socialism Confident

The battle in Milwaukee is becoming more interesting every day.

It will be an education to watch the struggle between the forces of capitalism and labor from now until next spring, when the great battle between the forces of progress and reaction will take place.

What we are going through in Milwaukee now will be going through in the near future. In your own community.

Show your friends the Herald. If they are Socialists reading its pages will do more to educate them on the lines of Constructive Socialism than anything else in the form of Socialist literature can do. If they are not Socialists, reading the Herald will have the desired effect.

### Those Club Blanks

Before this issue of the Herald reaches you every reader will have received a circular letter containing very important news to all Socialists, especially to all readers of the Herald.

## You and Your Press

By Carl Sandburg.

When I go downstairs in Brisbane hall and look at the big, splendid four-deck press, it looks to me like a big, fine piece of modern artillery.

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I stand and admire this. Hardly any one thing that the cunning brain and skilled hand of man has made is the equal of this four-deck press.

No other thing that has come from the mind and fingers of man compares with this.

Nothing made of steel or iron is the equal of this as representative of power, intelligence, and freedom, for men, women and children.

And then my admiration changes. It comes to my mind that this

Morgan's paper, attempted to criticize Berger's amendment on the ground that the present constitution is good enough and should be left alone. Naturally enough. The amendment was referred to the committee on the judiciary, where it will no doubt be carefully

pigeon-holed. Of course, Berger will in due course of time remind the gentlemen on that "ice house" committee that he wants their "valuable" opinion on that resolution, so that the matter can be thrashed out on the floor of the house. But that's going into the future of things.

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## A Cartoon in the Washington Star



News Note: Representative Victor Berger says Uncle Sam long ago outgrew the Constitution and needs something modern.

No. 153.

Structural Draughtsman.  
Tunnel Inspector.  
Brick and Pipe Sewer Inspector.  
Office of the Board of Civil Service Commissioners.

City Hall, April 22, 1911.  
Competitive examinations for the positions of structural draughtsman, tunnel inspector, and brick and pipe sewer inspector will be held at the above office on Thursday, May 4, 1911, at 9 o'clock a. m.

General requirements for all the above positions: United States citizenship; residence in the city of Milwaukee for the last three years next preceding the date of application; age not less than 21 years, good health, habits and recommendations. Special requirements for structural draughtsman: Applicants must possess knowledge and be well versed in the designing, engineering, erection and maintenance of all municipal construction and works, such as modern large buildings, bridges, water works, sewers, tunnels, canals, clearing of roads, moving loads and wind pressure, etc.

Special requirements for tunnel inspector: Applicants must be brick masons, who shall have worked not less than three years at their trade, and also have experience in laying brick in sewers and tunnels, and they must have sufficient general education and intelligence.

Special requirements for brick and pipe sewer inspector: Applicants must have practical and theoretical knowledge of brick and pipe sewer work, be practical brick layers, and must possess experience and sufficient general education and intelligence.

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Secretary.

Social-Democratic Herald, April 29.

STATE OF WISCONSIN, MILWAUKEE County, County Court—In Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Auguste Focht deceased.  
Letters of administration on the Estate of Auguste Focht, late of the Town of Wauwatosa, in said County of Milwaukee, deceased, having been duly granted to John A. Haezelwood by this Court.

It is ordered, That the time from the date hereof until including the first Tuesday of Nov., A. D. 1911, be and the same is hereby fixed as the time within which all creditors of the said Auguste Focht deceased, shall present their claims for examination and allowance.

It is further ordered, That all claims and demands of all persons against the said Auguste Focht, deceased, be examined and adjusted before this Court, at its Court Rooms in the City of Milwaukee, in said County, at the regular term thereof, appointed to be held on the first Tuesday of July 1911, and all creditors are hereby notified thereof.

It is further ordered, That all other claims and demands of all persons against the said Auguste Focht, deceased, be examined and adjusted before this Court, at its Court Rooms in the City of Milwaukee, in said County, at the regular term thereof, appointed to be held on the first Tuesday of February, 1912, and all creditors are hereby notified thereof.

It is further ordered, That notice of the times and place at which said claims and demands will be examined and adjusted as aforesaid, and of the time above limited for said creditors to present their claims and demands, be given by publishing a copy of this order and notice, for four consecutive weeks, once in each week, in the Social-Democratic Herald, a newspaper published in the County of Milwaukee, the first publication to be within fifteen days from the date hereof.

Dated this 15th day of April 1911.  
By the Court, John C. Karpel, County Judge.

WIDULE & MENSING  
Attorneys for Estate.  
Room 8 Metropolitan Block,  
Milwaukee, Wis.

MILWAUKEE COUNTY—COUNTY COURT—In Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Carl Weichmann, deceased.  
On reading and filing the petition of Richard Elmer administrator, of the estate of Carl Weichmann, deceased, representing among other things, that he has fully administered the said estate and praying that a time and place be fixed for examining and allowing his accounts of his administration, and assigning the residue of the said estate according to law.

It is ordered, that said application be heard before this Court, at a regular term thereof, to be held at the Court House, in the City of Milwaukee, on the first Tuesday of June 1911, at 9 o'clock A. M., or as soon thereafter as the same may be reached on the calendar.

And it is further ordered that notice of said application and hearing be given to all persons interested by publication of a copy of this order for three consecutive weeks prior to the day fixed for hearing, once in each week, in the "Social-Democratic Herald," a newspaper published in said County.

Dated this 20th day of April, 1911.  
By the Court, M. S. SHERIDAN, County Judge.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN—CIRCUIT COURT—Milwaukee County.  
Rebecca Eckstein, Plaintiff, vs. Morris Eckstein, Defendant.  
The State of Wisconsin, to the said defendant:

You are hereby summoned to appear within twenty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, and defend the above entitled action in the court aforesaid; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, of which a copy is herewith served upon you.

WIDULE & MENSING,  
Plaintiff's Attorneys.  
P. O. Address: Room 8 Metropolitan Block, Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin.

The original summons and complaint in the above entitled action are on file in the office of the clerk of the above named court.

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## As to Kidnaping

By Clarence S. Darrow

The law is well settled everywhere that a fugitive from justice means one who is present in the state at the time and place of the commission of the crime, and then, fled to another state.

If John J. McNamara was not in California at the time of the commission of the crime of which he is charged, then there was no legal way of getting him to California except by his consent.

### Not in California

It is not claimed that McNamara was in California at the time of the commission of this crime or for a long time previous. The governor of California made a requisition on the governor of Indiana for McNamara without knowing the facts, or considering that there was anything unusual in the case, the governor issued this requisition.

Under the statute it was then the duty of the officer having in charge of McNamara to take him before a circuit, superior or criminal court or a judge thereof to inquire two things:

### Ask Two Things

First, whether he was the man mentioned in the requisition, and secondly, whether he was in California and not in Indiana at the time of the commission of the crime. McNamara was taken before a police judge who had no authority to hear the case.

He asked for counsel and was refused. The judge asked him simply whether he was McNamara. Without any opportunity for defense he was taken to an automobile and rushed out of the state. He never had a chance to invoke the aid of the law, or to consult counsel. He was clearly kidnaped.

### Law Notoriously Violated

The case is exactly parallel with the Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone cases, where these three men were arrested at night upon requisition of the governor of Idaho, held secretly, denied counsel or access to court, and then taken on a special train to Idaho.

In both cases the law was notoriously and plainly violated and the constitutional and legal rights of the citizens were denied.

## Live Questions

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## Commends Mayor Seidel's Message

Editorial from Milwaukee Herald, April 20, 1911. (Translated by H. Ohl, Jr.): The first annual message of Mayor Seidel will not fail to make a good impression on the citizens of Milwaukee. The tone of the message does not indicate that it was the purpose of the mayor to elaborate with a view to enhance the Social-Democratic party as a political organization, but rather concerns itself with the needs of the entire community, thus demonstrating, as we have often said, that the Social-Democratic party, standing on the brink of the present social order, must lay aside, temporarily, its particular aims and undertake the solution of those logical problems which were turned over to them a year ago, namely, to achieve, as a municipal reform party, what other administrations have neglected.

It must not be expected that epoch-making accomplishments can be achieved in the space of one single year, and it must be considered sufficient if sincere efforts have been

made to initiate needed reforms; and this latter, it must be admitted by those who are unprejudiced, the present administration has attempted.

That errors have crept into their work they will themselves admit, particularly in such instances where they had assumed more than the natural development of the party had made possible. For this reason, the contribution was made at the recent election. In this particular, though, the Social-Democrats did not transgress to a greater extent than previous administrations.

However, this may be overlooked, inasmuch as the messages does not assume a boastful party spirit, but is modest in its tone.

It must also be said to the credit of the present administration that it is entitled to accentuate its adherence to absolute integrity in the matter of municipal supervision, honesty in official conduct and sincerity in the enactment of legislative measures, for in this respect no reflection can justly be cast upon it. Of course, it may be added, that even though it in-

tended otherwise (which, by the way, is extraneous to the characteristics of its membership), it could not have done so, because its leaders realize that the administration stands in the focal point of public opinion.

The program of additional measures contained in Mr. Seidel's message is very comprehensive and embraces within its scope many needed reforms and requirements. With regard to these latter, the minority in the common council will do well not to place unnecessary obstacles in the path of their consummation. It would be wrong to attempt to prevent needed measures or to make difficult their adoption, for no other reason than that they were initiated by an opposing party succeeded to power.

In those cases where it is necessary and just, the minority should, of course, take a position of emphatic opposition.

After the experience of the first year the dominating party will undoubtedly continue within bounds and thus gain a commendable opinion of its administration.

## Shots from the Trenches

By Oscar Rademaker

**G**OOD morning, men.  
St. Paul said to the Romans that every man is a liar. We still judge others by ourselves.

Engene V. Debs is one of the greatest men the working class has produced. The Gompers and the Mitchells are by-products.

Our lungs were made to inhale pure air and to exhale foul air. Don't be so stupid as to try to reverse the process. Open your windows at your branch meetings.

A battle royal will be fought next spring between the battalions of toil and the cohorts of the triple alliance, masked pirates, leeches and fleecers. What are you doing to hold the fort? NOW, I say, not after election—what are you doing?

There are many good men, but there are few just men.

When I was young I asked my best high school girl in all seriousness what the height of her ambition was. She answered, "To make some man happy." I have never blushed since.

Milwaukee needs a new sentinel, one who never sleeps on his post and who gives reliable reports.

Labor's international holiday is on the first of May. Get out that red ribbon and sledge it on your coat lapel.

Some people can't stop slamming till they reach the door. And then?—Look out for your fingers.

See to it that your delegates attend the county central committee meetings, and that they give your branch a full report. If you do so you will save car fare.

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Recall the suddenness with which the "abolitionist" Republican party rode into power under Lincoln in 1859, the rapidity with which the French revolution came to a head at the end of the eighteenth century, and the trifling incident that precipitated the revolt of the New England colonies. Another industrial depression, or the crushing of a great strike, or the restricting of the franchise, or the incarceration of a popular leader on a trumped up charge, any or all of these things might stampede large sections of the population into the camp of political socialism.

The Progress of Socialism  
"The International Socialist Movement," writes Prof. Charles Zuehlke, the well-known lecturer and author, "is without exception the most pregnant movement of modern times. It is the creation, not of one man or any set of men, but of the titanic forces of social evolution. It is becoming a mighty force in all civilized countries. It has built up a powerful press, and, furthermore, has produced a scientific and philosophical literature that commands the respect of scholars everywhere."

Society is confronted not with a theory, but a working class political movement.

The Socialist Program  
Andrew Carnegie has warned hus-

ness men that "the Socialist movement is likely in the near future to have a marked effect on wages and profits, on the scale of professional fees, on the rates of insurance, on the value of stocks and real estate, on the hours of labor, on every department of human activity."

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They would create a scarcity of labor by having the state undertake gigantic public works for the purpose of providing employment to all persons desiring work, but unable to find it.

They would enforce wholesome conditions in the mines and shops and factories. They would extend the principle of public ownership into the domain of all highly organized industries.

They would inaugurate state insurance of working people against sickness, accident, old age and death. They would make medical treatment just as free as education. They would, ultimately, completely transform society, and effect a revolution deeper, broader and more extensive than any yet recorded on the page of history.—William Restelle Shier.

## News of Organized Labor

Conducted by Walter S. Fisher  
Address all Communications to Room 206 Brisbane Hall

Milwaukee, Wis.—Twelve electricians, members of local No. 494, are out on strike from the shop of Geo. Rohn. The men walked out late last week after the proprietor had declared his intention to hereafter run a non-union shop.

Milwaukee, Wis.—After negotiations which have covered a period of several weeks, 429 boiler-makers' helpers and handymen employed by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad, were granted an increase in wages of 1 cent per hour, to take effect from April 1. The old scale ranged from 21 to 33 cents per hour. Sixty roundhouse boiler-makers were granted an increase in wages from 37 to 39 cents per hour.

Louisville, Ky.—The members of the barbers' union of this city, after being out on strike for fifteen weeks, have returned to work on a compromise agreement of 60 per cent of their earnings and a guarantee of \$12 per week. The barbers struck for 65 per cent of their earnings and a guarantee of \$13 per week.

New York, N. Y.—A new agreement, recently negotiated by the various locals of the United Brewery Workmen in this city and Brooklyn, provides for an increase in wages of \$1 per week for all members with the exception of the extra drivers in the bottling departments, and they will receive an increase of \$2 per week. Sunday work for drivers has been abolished entirely and the stablemen will get two days off each month instead of one day as heretofore. The working time in the new contract, which will expire on April 1, 1914, was not changed.

Minneapolis, Minn.—The hoisting engineers recently signed a new wage scale with the contractors, which went into effect on April 1, and was signed without any friction whatever, which provides for an increase of 5 cents per hour. The painters also signed a new scale with the employers for 45 cents per hour, which took effect on the same date and was negotiated without any difficulty.

Lawrence, Mass.—The typographical union recently completed negotiations with all the newspapers in the city whereby the men are benefited by an increase in wages of \$1 per week, making the minimum scale for morning papers \$20 per week, and for evening papers \$17 per week. This scale will prevail for one year, and on Jan. 1, 1912, an additional \$1 per week will be granted. Machinists and machinists-operators will receive not less than \$24 per week. The book and job scale was also increased \$2 per week, making the minimum scale \$17 per week.

San Francisco, Cal.—The steam engineers' union of this city has completed negotiations whereby its members employed in pile driving will receive an increase in wages from \$5

to \$6 per day on and after July 1, 1911.

Chicago, Ill.—The wage differences between the Illinois Central railroad and its telegraphers were adjusted on April 1, and the men will receive an increase in wages amounting to approximately \$60 a year.

Kansas City, Mo.—On April 1 about 1,000 carpenters went on strike for an increase in wages of 5 cents an hour, and announced that they would not return to work until the increase was granted.

St. Louis, Mo.—Four thousand union carpenters are on strike in this city because of the refusal of a demand for an increase in wages of 5 cents per hour, and 500 woodworkers have notified their employers that they will go on strike unless they are granted an increase in wages of 7 cents per hour.

Bradford, Pa.—The trouble between the brewery workers and their employers has been satisfactorily adjusted after several conferences. By the terms of the new agreement the members will get an increase of \$1 per week and will work eight hours instead of nine. Fifty cents per hour will be paid for overtime instead of 35 cents as heretofore.

Minneapolis, Minn.—The Hod Carriers and Building Laborers' Union have been successful with the new scale with a majority of the contractors. The increased scale calls for \$3.25 per day, and went into effect on April 1, 1911.

**BREWERY WORKERS WIN**  
After a Contest Lasting Approximately One Year a Victory Is Achieved by Workmen.

Washington, April 27.—Telegraphic advices contain the cheering news that the brewery workers, after a heroic struggle of long duration, have signed an agreement with every firm and agency in the city of Los Angeles, Cal., employing members of that craft. The splendid fight being conducted by the California unions is beginning to bear fruit, and from further advices received other settlements are in sight.

**News Nuggets from Our Exchanges**

Thomas L. Wilson, international vice president of the machinists, who has been in charge of the New England field for the past four years, will take up the work on the Pacific coast. During Mr. Wilson's work in the New England territory 20,000 members have been added to the unions of the district and 40,000 members have benefited by increased wages and better conditions.

The New York Building Trades council decided to disobey an order of the building trades department of the American Federation of Labor to

unseat the locals of the carpenters and steamfitters.

Boston Bricklayers' union, No. 3, has voted against the proposition that it establish a minimum wage rate of 65 cents an hour on July 1. The present rate, which will continue, is 60 cents an hour.

The Sailors' union of the Pacific, which during 1910 contributed \$50,000 in aid of the striking sailors on the great lakes, has submitted to the various branches on the Pacific coast a proposition to contribute \$20,000 additional for the same purpose.

The strike of the tobacco workers of Tampa after continuing six months has ended. The strikers failed to win recognition of the union.

Typographical Union Auxiliary Nominations

The ladies' auxiliary to Milwaukee Typographical union No. 23, has made these nominations: For president, Mrs. Fred Seidl; for vice president, Mrs. Harry Hanson; for financial secretary, Mrs. Charles Leebledner; for recording secretary, Mrs. Emil Meyer; for guides, Mrs. H. O. Kent, Mrs. Bennett; for delegates to the international convention at San Francisco the first week in August, Mrs. Harry Hanson, Mrs. Horace Fenton, Mrs. H. O. Kent; for membership on the executive committee, Mrs. H. S. Fenton, Mrs. Livingston.

The election will be on May 9.

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**In the Legislature**

Madison, Wis.—The Progressives have again betrayed their lack of progressiveness in defeating Comrade Binner's bill authorizing municipalities to own and operate municipal milk distributing depots. This measure, if passed, would have meant more profit to the farmer and cheaper and purer milk for the city consumer.

At present the farmer receives 30 cents per quart for his milk containing on the average 4 per cent butter fat. The milk trust in Milwaukee by applying business principles sells milk for 6 cents a quart containing only 3 per cent butter fat. The fourth per cent of butter milk they use generally in increasing the supply of milk by mixing the butter fat with skim milk. So the people pay 6 cents a quart for a poorer quality of milk than the trust buys from the farmer for 30 cents per quart. Deducting the rake-off which the trust gets by subtracting 1 per cent butter fat from each quart, it still makes a profit of over 2 cents on each quart of milk it sells.

It was explained by Assemblyman Binner that if the municipality were permitted to distribute the milk the exorbitant profit which goes into the pocket of the milk trust would go into the pockets of the farmer and the city consumer, for the city would charge only what it actually costs to distribute the milk. Furthermore, milk being one of the prime necessities of life, it ought to be absolutely pure, and 4 per cent butter fat makes it far more nourishing and substantial than 3 per cent butter fat. Hence the municipality would give the people purer and better milk at a lower cost than they receive it now. This will undoubtedly be appreciated by all when they recall the numerous lives, especially young lives, which are sacrificed every year because of the lack of wholesome milk.

Another important factor to be taken into consideration is the fact that when the method of distributing milk to the consumer is systematized and organized on an economical and business like basis the cost of delivering the milk would practically be cut in half. This would make milk so cheap that everybody, even the poorest and most needy could afford to feed their babies in the summer time on the purest and cleanest milk.

**Senate Saves Tax Sharks**  
The Progressive senate has also shown its reluctance to adopt Socialism measures unless absolutely necessary. The Vint (S.-D.) bill seeking to rid the city of tax sharks, which passed the assembly recently, was killed by the senate. This bill would have saved the city several thousand dollars each year by providing that the 15 per cent interest now going to the tax sharks should revert to the city treasury. One of the interesting events was the appearance of several members of the tax dodgers association and the Merchants and Manufacturers in opposition to this bill. These same people are the ones who are constantly accusing the administration of extravagance and wastefulness. The workingman's compensation finally passed the senate and the assembly, and is now up for approval by the governor, who will undoubtedly sign it. An amendment was appended to the bill declaring that if one portion of the bill is declared unconstitutional it is the intention of the legislature that the remainder should still be valid. The Merchants and Manufacturers, represented by Judge Carpenter, made a strenuous effort to secure the defeat of this amendment. On the other hand, they asked that the bill be amended so that the employee should be forced to come under the provision of the bill, knowing full well that this would make the law absolutely unconstitutional. Yet they claim that they believe in industrial compensation, and that they are always solicitous of the welfare of the workman.

**Broke Campaign Pledges**  
Thirteen out of the twenty-nine Democrats voted against the compensation bill in spite of the fact that they stand pledged to vote for such a measure. To us who are here and have an opportunity of observing the action of the Democrats this move is not at all surprising. The only thing the Democrats have been doing so far, with one or two exceptions, is to obstruct and hinder the passage of good legislation. They have made no effort to be constructive and further measures demanded and of benefit to the people. Hence their attitude towards the compensation bill, though they promised to support one in their platform, is not at all surprising.

**Stern and Perry Again**  
Assemblymen Stern and Perry, both Republicans, and from Milwaukee county, succeeded in securing the defeat of a bill providing for the Sunday closing of retail merchant stores, such as dry goods, hardware and grocery stores. The passage of this bill was demanded by the retail merchants of Milwaukee, and they brought along a petition of over 1,200 names when they appeared before the committee in favor of the bill. These small

**Live Questions**

The new alderman, Frank Fitzpatrick, is a tailor. He makes clothes and cleans clothes for a living. None of the newspapers, however, have spoken of Mr. Fitzpatrick as the Tailor-Alderman. When Mayor Seider's secretary, Walter Stroesser, is mentioned in the papers he is called the Tailor-Secretary. It is entirely proper to speak of Mr. Stroesser as the Tailor-Secretary. He has for many years made his living with the needle, the shears and the goose. And the Tailor-Secretary is working for a Patternmaker-Mayor. And along with the Patternmaker-Mayor should be named Ditchdigger-

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naked. It would also be very uncomfortable. "Clothes make the man" more comfortable and better looking. Tailors are very necessary. We must have clothes.

**First Neighborhood Center**  
The city of Milwaukee is in possession of two large buildings at Lapham park, which are in very poor condition. The park board's finances are exhausted and nothing can be done this year to remodel two buildings at the said park. In view of this situation the only Social-Democratic member of the park board made a motion at the last meeting that a request be sent to the city council for the remission of the water tax for the year 1910, and the using of the first neighborhood center at Lapham park. The sum of \$16,708 from the water tax and another added from the regular fund of the park board can provide for model buildings and grounds for a neighborhood center. This resolution was adopted unanimously.

Another resolution of the same commissioner has been referred to the park board committee. Whereas, Lake park presents an unsightly appearance along the lake front; and the grassy incline south of the old pier is in poor condition, because no stairs or pathways are provided there, and the visitors walk, slide or run down the hill; therefore be it

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# Municipal Facts---Who's a Liar?

Another Slander of the Bading-Carney Crowd  
Proven to be Utterly False

Has the report of the sewerage commission been received by Mayor Seidel?

This question came near being one of the issues of the recent campaign. Dr. G. A. Bading, former health commissioner, in a series of campaign speeches made the statement that Mayor Seidel had received the report and was holding it back from the public for political purposes.

## Two Letters

This statement, repeatedly uttered by the former health commissioner and taken up and echoed and bung further by the daily press, was believed by a certain part of the public. To bring the matter to a final settlement Mayor Seidel wrote a night letter to Mr. George C. Whipple of the sewerage commission and on the following morning received a reply. This reply states it straight and short concerning the point which the former health commissioner has tried to make an issue of, absolutely clear. Following are the night letters that passed between Mayor Seidel and George C. Whipple of the sewerage commission:

## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Milwaukee, April 25, 1911.

Mr. George C. Whipple, 103 Park avenue, New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir: Inasmuch as our administration is being repeatedly criticised

for not publishing the report of the Sewerage Commission; in fact, having been accused of having received the report, but withholding it for political reasons, I take the liberty of writing you to ascertain as to when the report will be forthcoming. If I remember rightly, the commission expected that the report would be ready about April 1. Now I do not wish in any way to interfere with your efforts to prepare a careful and comprehensive report, but in view of the above circumstances, I am writing this letter. Awaiting your reply, I am,

Very truly yours,

EMIL SEIDEL, Mayor.

New York, April 25, 1911.

Hon. Emil Seidel, Mayor, Milwaukee, Wis.

The Sewerage Commission is now in session in New York working on the report and putting it into final shape. We expect to complete it early next week and Mr. Alvord will take it to Milwaukee about May 3rd. Letter follows.

GEORGE C. WHIPPLE.

The foregoing facts show how far a disappointed office hunter will carry his hatred. Dr. Bading, it is sometimes the case that a speaker during a political campaign is over-enthusiastic and in the heat of the contest will get his facts mixed and draw wrong conclusions.

But this was not the case with Dr. Bading in this matter. He knew that

he was making a statement utterly without foundation and completely false when he stated that Mayor Seidel had received the report of the sewerage commission and was withholding it.

Dr. Bading had no proof that the mayor had received the report. And Dr. Bading had no ground for any assertion whatever that Mayor Seidel was holding back the report.

After Dr. Bading had charged the mayor with holding back a report and the mayor had stated that no report had been received, then Dr. Bading changed his position. He then substituted one lie for another. He then stated that while the mayor had not received a written report, nevertheless the mayor had received a verbal report which he was holding back.

Remember, this sewerage report is going to tell the people of Milwaukee how to solve the sewerage problem. This report will advise the city of Milwaukee how to spend somewhere between six million and ten million dollars. And such a report, concerning the expenditure of millions of cold, hard cash, Dr. Bading explains was made to the mayor verbally. A verbal report is one that is not written, but it delivered by word of mouth. Dr. Bading stated that Mayor Seidel was holding back a

schedule will be strictly adhered to.

"Monte Cristo" ends its engagement with a matinee and night performance today. The play has proven more than ordinary successful, and has been received by capacity houses throughout the week. It speaks well for the popularity of the supplementary season.

"East Lynne" is one of the most popular book plays ever written. Mrs. Ellen Wood penned it back in the ante-bellum days, and it leaped into instantaneous favor.

## MAJESTIC---Vaudeville

Alice Lloyd, daintiest and most fascinating of vaudeville singers, will come to the Majestic theater for the week beginning May 1. The bill which Miss Lloyd headlines is well balanced, containing features new to Milwaukee. Chief of these are Hal Stephens, in "Famous Scenes from Famous Plays," Victor Nible's birds which answer questions and talk in three languages, and the Onetti sisters, gymnasts, who are said to have an act absolutely unique in vaudeville.

## CRYSTAL---Vaudeville

The bill for the week commencing Monday afternoon will be made up of acts that are entirely new to Milwaukee, not one of the acts having ever been seen here before.

The Lajo troupe of acrobatic marvels. This troupe is composed to four men and a charming young lady who do all of their marvelous acrobatic work while standing on two slender threads of wire. As a fitting climax for this great act one of the members

verbal report. So Bading said.

The members of the sewerage commission are being paid from \$50 to \$200 a day for their services. And when they make a report it will be so full of facts and complete with detail that it will be almost impossible for any human being to memorize them accurately.

The position of Dr. Bading throughout this affair is only one more instance of the sorry, degraded methods that will be employed by disappointed office hunters. Of course, the above straight-out falsehoods of Dr. Bading in connection with the sewerage report, have not been his only activities. He has acted as an advisor to the daily press and he has constantly been at the service of the members of the Rose gang who are still in the council.

The constant public defender of Bading, on the floor of the common council and on the stump, has been Ald. Carney. Each is a mouthpiece of the other. Bading, the Republican, united with Carney, the Democrat, on the slogan, "Anything to beat the Socialists." Carney, the Dave Rose gangster, joins hands with Bading, the Sherbie Becker appointed as health commissioner who refused to co-operate with the state labor commissioner in factory condition betterment.

Let it be sent down as one of the accomplishments of the Social-Democrats that they have limited the power of the Bading and Carneys to de-grade Milwaukee.

successfully executes the heretofore unaccomplished triple somersault.

Another man that has taken years of patient practice and work to perfect his act is Leo Rapoli, the great European juggler.

With a very good personality and a fair singing voice Billy Chase comes next on the program in one of the classic singing acts.

## NEW STAR---Burlesque

"The French Maids," a new burlesque organization, recruited from New York's musical comedy forces will be seen here for the first time at the New Star theater, beginning Sunday matinee. The offering will consist of two jolly burlesques, entitled "The New Woman's Social" and "Tenement Alley," both of which are said to be brimful of jingling music and wholesome comedy. An exceptionally large, well drilled and uniquely garbed chorus will contribute to the musical part of the program.

## GAYETY---Burlesque

Something extraordinary will be offered at the Gayety next week. The Queen of Bohemia, a big musical show, which compares favorably with \$2 attractions, will open an engagement Sunday afternoon.

The unique act is entitled The Mystery of Isis. The Queen of Bohemia is a play in two acts, which contrasts night life in New York and the simple life in the country.

In recognition of their services Manager William E. Mick and Treasurer Charles J. Fox of the Gayety have been tendered a benefit performance the night of May 8.

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## TO THE PUBLIC

I wish to announce that I have purchased the entire stock of THE VOELZ DRY GOODS COMPANY at an exceptional bargain, and have made arrangements for a SPECIAL SALE of these goods. The sale will commence Monday, May 1, and will continue until Saturday, May 6, inclusive. All goods will be sold at greatly reduced prices.

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H. Schumacher, 2117 Fond du Lac Ave.

# "Intersections" The Slogan

CROWD CHEER MAYOR SEIDEL AS HE ANNOUNCES SLOGAN FOR NORTHWEST BUSINESS CENTER

Business Section Centering Around Fond du Lac Avenue and Twenty-first Street Celebrate Baptism With Music, Light, Moving Pictures and Speech Making.

"The intersections" was the name chosen by the business men centering around North and Fond du Lac avenues as the slogan for that enterprising business center.

The winner of the \$25 prize offered by the business men of that district for the best suggestion for a slogan was won by Mrs. Maud Knopf, 1106 1/2 Twelfth street. The name she suggested was "the intersections."

Mayor Seidel Announces Slogan and Winner of Prize

The slogan and the name of the winner of the prize was announced at 8:30 o'clock last Saturday night from an automobile which was surrounded by thousands of people from the district. Mayor Seidel in his speech graphically described the rapid change in the physical appearance of the district from marsh and cornfields to a prosperous residence and business center during his own memory. He pointed out to the younger members of the audience the heroic efforts of the older generation and called upon

them to all co-operate in completing the work so ably begun. "If there is anything I can do now or in the future to help the movement along, you can be assured that I shall be at your command."

The mayor was cheered by the vast throng wherever he appeared.

The music for the occasion was furnished by the Milwaukee concertina club.

The celebration was concluded by a banquet at Otto Imse's hall, 2005 Fond du Lac avenue, where Mayor Seidel addressed the business men of that district. He occupied a chair to the right of V. Moser, president of the Business Men's Association. The following business men of the section were represented:

A. C. Marschalek, R. O. Kerz, V. Moser, E. Grundman, William Gaulke & Son, Joseph P. Steiner, The Milwaukee Gas and Electric Fixture company, Theodore Twelmeyer, H. Schumacher, E. Weiner, Henry Herr, Paul Schmidt, O. T. Beech, The Burger State Bank, Joseph Klaus, L. J. Drosche company, E. Fischer, Hudson & Hudson, M. Oehman, R. Blankenhorn, Maerke & Biehm, Gust Karraz, Charles H. Pankonen, Otto Imse, Stumpf & Langhoff company, Dr. C. I. Wheatley, H. C. Barber, Crown Sweet Shop, A. Rosin, E. T. Wussow, Herman J. Bretzel, August Kruse, Charles W. Nelson and Robert Kurtz.

# At the Theaters Next Week

DAVIDSON—"The Servant in the House"

For the week beginning next Monday evening the Davidson stock company will offer one of the most important plays of the season, "The Servant in the House," by Charles Kann Kennedy. This is one of the plays which has been referred to by the pulpit as the real example of what may be done by the stage in the uplift of human kind. It is not a preaching play, but conveys a moral lesson in a manner that leaves no doubt in the mind of the auditor of

balance of the program is unusual, and affords Empire patrons a chance to see many new eastern acts making their first western appearance.

BIJOU—Stock—"East Lynne"

"East Lynne" is announced by the management of the Bijou for an engagement of one week, opening tomorrow afternoon, and including the customary matinees. This play will be given at reduced prices—by which is meant that the 10, 25 and 35 cent



the purpose of the story. It introduces the mysterious bishop of Benares who is supposed to represent a symbolic incarnation of Christ. His influence is most potent for good bringing about the ejection and exposure of a mercenary bishop of Lancaster, and effecting the regeneration of a wretched character known as the drainman.

The play will be beautifully staged by Eugene Moore, who will also play the role of the drainman. Robert Dempster will take the part of the servant, a role that will give him an opportunity to show his versatility as an actor.

## EMPRESS---Vaudeville

A most varied and interesting bill headlined by Josephine Sabel, the renowned actress of world wide reputation, who sings mirthful songs. And Chas. W. Bowser and a company of selected players as the added attraction in the modern playlet by Oliver White, entitled "Superstition," dealing with politics, opens at the Empress with the Sunday matinee. The

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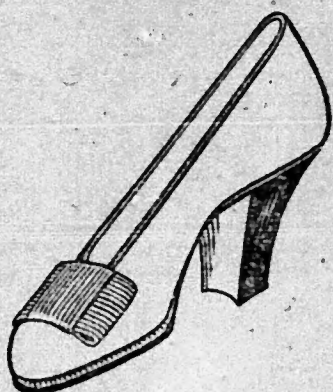
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## Supt. Pearce Unmasked

Last Wednesday Mayor Seidel, the Rev. H. H. Jacobs, Mrs. Merry and others went to Madison to speak for the bill providing for public recreation for the people of Milwaukee, although it was understood that there was no opposition to the bill.

But just as the hearing was about to commence, in walked Superintendent of Schools Pearce of Milwaukee! There was surprise on both sides, and Mr. Pearce showed his embarrassment when asked if he was there to oppose the measure.

He seemed unable to give any good reason for his opposition, but it developed later on. He was the only opponent of the bill.

Pearce tried to arrange so that all in favor would speak first and he could have the last fire, but he was outgeneralled in this, and when granted the floor began with the declaration that he appeared for the Milwaukee school board.

"What?" cried several in unison.

Well, he said, he appeared for certain members of the school board, evidently meaning the friends of the schools who were elected on the Catholic ticket. Finally he shifted his ground and said that he appeared simply for himself. Milwaukee's \$6,000 school superintendent has made some new alignments, evidently.

## This Nails the Worst Lie Yet!

The Sentinel of Thursday morning reprints an editorial from the St. Louis Republic, in which it says it sent a reporter especially to Milwaukee to "find out for ourselves" what had been done by the Socialist administration. We are glad to get this word as to the Republic's intentions, and especially as the stupid Sentinel spoils its own game by attaching a Washington Herald editorial review of the St. Louis Republic's two page write-up, or write-down, or wrong-up, or down-right wrong write-up about Milwaukee, from which we take this leading paragraph. We ask Milwaukeeans to ponder it:

"To crown Milwaukee's miseries the city is threatened by an epidemic of scarlet fever, which the citizens are attributing to the incapacity of the Socialistic appointee on the board of health."

No sane Milwaukeean can read such a preposterous charge without bursting out laughing. And that's the kind of stuff the St. Louis Republic says it got by sending its own "disinterested" representative to Milwaukee! We happen to have in this office a reply to the St. Louis fake for use next week, presenting facts got together by City Clerk Thompson, and this is what he found from the records about that "terrible" scarlet fever "epidemic":

	Dr. Bading	Dr. Kraft
	1909	1910
September	239	76
October	213	133
November	292	134
December	211	163
Total	855	506

349 less  
This covers the usual epidemic period. The figures make a pretty good comparative showing for the "Socialistic appointee." we should say.

### Growth of Social Idea

"Two years," said Colliers, "is not a long time. In February, 1909, a proposition to assist a Socialist newspaper was submitted to the Letter Carriers' Association of Brooklyn. The mere mention of Socialism then was sufficient to cause the speedy dropping of the proposition with out a dissenting voice. In February, 1911, the Letter Carriers received a similar proposition. They voted unanimously to extend the aid asked for. What this unusual change means we do not know, but certainly the word Socialism carries less alarm than it did. People are interested in what it contains of good, and are not frightened by its remote, theoretical side."

### Notice

A Socialist Play—"The Servant in the House"

We print again in this issue of the Herald a coupon which will entitle readers of the paper to a special rate for seats at the presentation of "The Servant in the House," by the Davidson Stock company, Monday evening. By special arrangement the management of the Davidson the Herald is enabled to afford its readers this opportunity to see a play that most strikingly illustrates some of the principles for which Socialism is striving. Its foundation is the equality and brotherhood of mankind, its keen shifts of satire at hypocrisy, selfishness and greed are strikingly effective and its whole tone of equal rights is such as to make it a real stage classic.

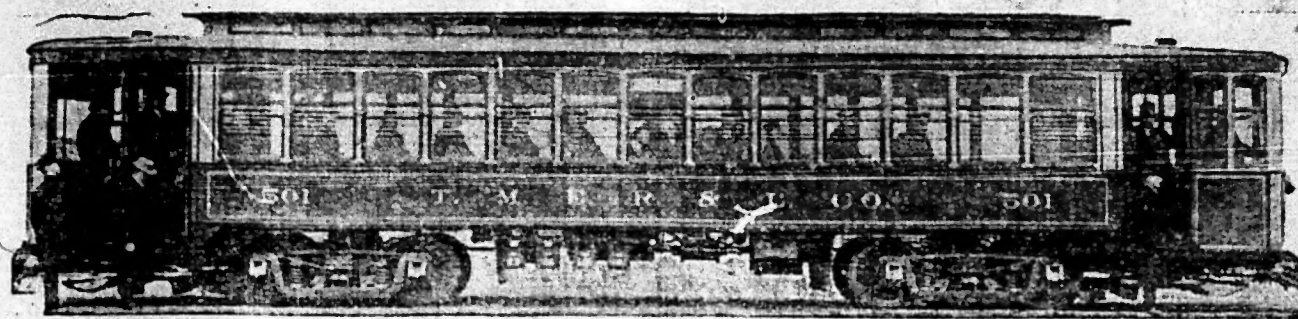
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11. Passengers will not be permitted to remain on rear platform.

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Address all communications to E. T. Melms, County Organizer, 344 Sixth St., Milwaukee.

Address all communications to E. T. Melms, County Organizer, 528 Chestnut street.

Don't fail to attend the second annual informal May ball, arranged by the West Side Young Peoples' Socialist league. Same will be held at the Ethical hall, 558 Jefferson street, Saturday evening, May 6th. Tickets 15 cents, at the door 25 cents. Everybody cordially invited to attend.

The Bay View Women's club, S. D. P., have arranged for a May party to be at Hoff's hall, 961 Kinzie street, Saturday evening, May 13th. Admission 15 cents a person. Everybody cordially invited to attend.

### A Boost for the Daily

The United Singing Societies of Milwaukee are making arrangements for a monster concert to be held at the West Side Turner hall, Saturday evening, June 10th. A musical and vocal program is now being arranged for, and will consist of selections rendered by the United Singing Societies of Chicago and Milwaukee. Between five and seven hundred members of the Socialist Singing Societies of Chicago will attend the concert. The profits of this concert will be turned over to the Social-Democratic Publishing Company for bonds for our daily paper. We therefore urge each and every comrade and sympathizer for this day, and attend this concert without fail. Make it your business to attend and see that your friends come also.

The West Side German branch, Social-Democratic party, will hold their meeting hereafter at Brisbane hall, room 211-212, every first and third Saturday evening of the month.

The Milwaukee Retail Liquor Dealers' union meets every first and third Thursday afternoon of the month, at Brisbane hall (third floor), 528-530 Chestnut street, at 2:30 p. m. Secretary, Louis Meier, corner Mitchell street and Muskego avenue. Every retail liquor dealer is cordially invited to apply for membership. Initiation fee, \$1. Dues, 25 cents per month.

The Eighteenth Ward branch, together with the Hungarian, Slavonian, Bohemian, Eighteenth Ward German branch and Day branch of the Social-Democratic party, have arranged for a May Day celebration, to be held Sunday afternoon, May 7, at 2 p. m. at the West Side Turner hall. A good program is being arranged for. Admission, 10 cents; after 6 o'clock, 25 cents. Everybody cordially invited to attend.

The Eleventh Ward branch, S. D. P., held a very successful prize cinder and shafskopf tournament at Meier's hall last Saturday evening.

The South Slavonian branch No. 9, S. D. P., meets every second Sunday of the month at 324 Florida street. The Town of Lake branch No. 1, S. D. P., has made arrangements for

ings every fourth Friday afternoon of the month.

The Socialist Maemerehor is making arrangements for an entertainment and ball, to be held at the Bahn Frei Turner hall, Twelfth street and North avenue, Sunday afternoon and evening, April 30. Admission, 15 cents; after 6 o'clock, 25 cents.

The South Side Slavonian branch will hold an entertainment and ball at the Harmonie hall, corner First and Mineral streets, Sunday afternoon and evening, April 30. Admission, 10 cents, after 6 o'clock 25 cents. A good program will be secure for the afternoon. Everybody cordially invited to attend.

The East Side Women's branch, S. D. P., held a very successful cinder party at Jung's hall last Tuesday afternoon.

### A Picture

A cartoon that would about meet the situation just now would represent a man chained to a rock and a

culture eating out his vitals. The man would represent the Department of Public Works, the rocks the contract system for public work, and the culture the crooked contractors who have infested the city government before the grand jury days and since. To this picture could be added another figure, that of a man with axe uplifted ready to strike asunder the chains binding the captive to the rock. This last figure would represent the Social-Democratic party. And perhaps into the picture, too, should be worked a representation of the circuit judge ready to palsy the hand of the deliverer!

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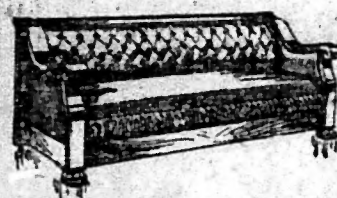
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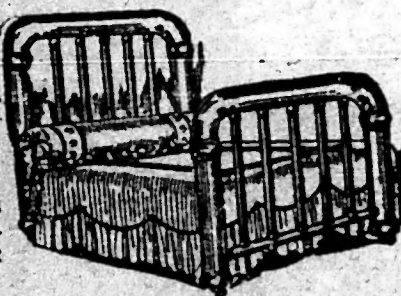
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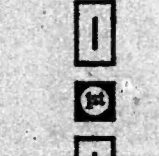
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# What Are Your Aldermen Doing?

Social Democrats decide for evening meetings of the council. Workingmen will now have a chance to see how city business is carried on.

"Slippery Joe" Carney crawfishes and says that even if there is a steal connected with the upper river park there are no thieves.

"I agree with Ald. Wright that there are some bad actors in this council," said Ald. Melms, in the council meeting April 24. He was speaking for night sessions instead of afternoon sessions.

Bad Actors  
"And," said Melms, "I think we ought to give the people a chance to see some of these bad actors. Of course it may be that the public is not interested. In that case we can easily return again to afternoon meetings."

"It has been said that extraordinary things are going on in this council. If that is the case, why not hold the council meetings at night so that the people, the taxpayers, can come and see what extraordinary things are going on."

Where Is the Graft?  
"I have friends in civic clubs and other organizations who have come to me and asked if there wasn't a chance to have these meetings of the city common council at a time when they could attend. There are some important facts about city matters that ought to be brought out so that the public will have an opportunity to know what is going on. If certain reported statements are true, then there must be graft in the purchasing department. We have the facts about a bay deal with the city that will be interesting when we get around to it."

"I know business men as well as workmen who would prefer to have the council hold meetings at night instead of afternoon. They will have a better chance to know what is going on."

Night Meetings Next  
Ald. Bogk and Sezerbinski lifted their mild voices in protest against the change. And Ald. Carney, who uses about one-fourth of all the time at every council meeting, also filed about forty small protests.

But, inasmuch as the matter was not in any way connected with the city contingent fund, and there was no charter provision or court decision conflicting, the resolution carried. The next council meeting will be held May 8, beginning at 7:30 p. m.

Carney Crawls Back  
It was a little later that Ald. Carney, sometimes referred to as Slippery Joe, crawled back. He crawled back in his hole and nearly pulled the hole in after him.

Carney has been the chief spokesman of the broken ranks of the old-time Rose Marching club. The club does not have as many members on the council floor now as formerly. But whenever memories of the past are called up, Carney makes himself heard.

A Friend of Boodlers  
If a Social-Democrat happens to mention the fact that there once were grafters and boodlers in the city service, Ald. Carney gets red in the face. If some Social-Democrat goes a little farther and mentions the fact that some of these members of the old-time Rose Marching club were sent to a steel-barred hotel in Waupun, it is then again that Ald. Carney rises and calls attention to the fact that there were several members of the Rose Marching club who were not landed behind the bars.

A Big Steel  
Now, it happened before the council finance committee, April 20, that Ald. Carney tried to class certain aldermen whom he did not name, in the same class with his old-time friends of the Rose Marching club. "It is a big steal," said Ald. Carney about the upper river park land purchase.

"We Will Join You"  
"If there's a steal coming off in this park land deal," said Ald. Welch in the council meeting, "we want to know about it. It is a graft anywhere in the Social-Democratic party we want to know about it. We want to know where it is. We want to join you and hunt down whoever is guilty and put him or them where grafters belong."

"If there's a steal," continued Welch, "there must be a thief or some thieves. Now, Ald. Carney, we want you to tell us who they are."

A Steal Without a Thief  
Then Carney replied, "I have never charged anybody with graft or boodles in this deal. I have never said that individuals are guilty of graft or boodles in this matter." He then explained that he thought the prices of some of the proposed park lands were too high and because the prices were high, it was therefore a "steal." With a red face, the defender of the Rose Marching club then sat down.

A resolution introduced by Ald. Welch was then adopted, calling on Ald. Carney to furnish the city attorney with any names, figures or evidence that might tend to show that a steal was being put through.

More Investigation  
It was a great day for straightening out all the crooks and irregularities that may be involved in the park land purchase. Ald. Braun (Rep.) introduced a resolution asking for a grand jury investigation. Everybody voted for it. The resolution was as follows:

"Whereas, The Social-Democrat administration is interested in the purchase of the so-called \$1,000,000 park on the upper Milwaukee river, and

Whereas, It is in the opinion of the majority of residents and taxpayers of

the city of Milwaukee at an exorbitant price, and looks very shady, therefore be it

Resolved, That the district attorney be and is hereby requested to call a grand jury and investigate said deal."

Ordinances Pass

The ordinance specifying an eight hour day for all public work employees was passed. The ordinance also provides that all skilled workers shall be paid the wage corresponding to the union scale in that trade.

The ordinance creating the position of city chemist was passed. Last year, while the civil service commission was securing a city chemist a number of weeks elapsed. During this time it was necessary to send outside and have testing done. It also happened that the city chemist was stricken later with typhoid and for three months was in hospital unable to attend to his duties. This resulted in more work being sent outside the regular city service for handling.

These are facts carefully concealed by daily papers.

More Investigation?

It may be necessary in the near future to bring forth some of the records and show what kind of work and how much was done by the old plan of having the city chemist appear at the city hall an average of one hour per day during some weeks, while the gas inspector was only acted as an instructor in a local university, but also maintained a large practice in a private laboratory.

Good Work Done

The office of gas inspector was combined with that of city chemist. Since the new man, Peter Weber, has gotten out of the hospital, there has been more work done and more first-rate work than ever before. The records are at hand to prove this. If the present city chemist were to perform only the same miserable, perfunctory, payroll-signing work done by the former city chemist there would be no need for an assistant city chemist.

The Welch Resolution

The resolution introduced by Ald. Welch was as follows:

Whereas, The city is negotiating for the purchase of certain tracts of land along the Milwaukee river in the northern part of the city for park purposes, and

Whereas, It is widely reported that Ald. Joseph P. Carney has stated that this negotiation involves a steal, one of the biggest in the history of the

# Judge Turner's Weird Injunction

An entire floor is under lease to the county board in the Perles building for a TEN YEAR TERM, for use for court purposes. Judge Eschweiler's court was given part of it, and the other half reserved for Judge Turner's court when the lease of Judge Turner's present quarters in the Masonic building runs out May 1, the building inspector having pronounced the Masonic building a fire trap. The leasing of the Perles building (it is diagonally across from the city hall) was done by the former county board, in which the Republicans and Democrats were in the majority. The present board found the arrangement a good one and decided to carry it out.

For a year half the floor in the Perles building has been idle, although under the lease the rent had to be paid for all each month out of the county treasury.

To Save \$2,400

Naturally, the Socialists in the board want to have the place occupied, as by that means the \$2,400 a year that is now paid for the Masonic building quarters would be saved to the taxpayers.

Judge Turner, who is pretty cute, all right, even if he has donned the innocence and dignity of a judge.

# Town Topics by the Town Crier

Is Judge Turner's queer performance liable to bring the courts into contempt on the part of plain citizens, we might ask?

Think of the elements of city life, good, bad and indifferent that outside the Social-Democratic following would have to be massed together to achieve a majority vote in a city election! The very thought of such a thing ought to even make the reformers shudder.

The cowardly bluffing of a Carney again stands revealed. Made to face the music for his charges of a steal in the river park project, he shows the white feather and crawls out with a claim that he simply meant that the prices in some instances were too high! Then it comes out that he had been told that some alderman was to get \$50,000 if the deal went through. Such a specimen!

Judge Turner's claim that the fourth floor of the Perles building is noisy is too thin. It fronts on the east side of City Hall square and all the noisy traffic on the square is over on the west side of it, where the street cars run. His claim that the room is too small is flimsy also. There is more than enough room even for all the dignity that attaches to the judicial job.

The tax commissioner is appearing in various parts of the city to show what the full value assessment plan is. If he would explain just why some of his assessors in the laboring men's wards told the people that it had been decided to raise the assess-

ment, and Whereas, The present administration, whose members are handling the aforesaid matter, stand positively committed to instant and vigorous action for the extermination of all graft, dishonesty and unfaithfulness in office, and instant and summary action against any individual or set of individuals that may be found guilty of any such violation of their sacred trust in public office the moment any definite or positive information is at hand, and

Whereas, It is the duty of every public official, if he has in his possession any or available any information that would lead to the conviction of any official guilty of taking part in any deal or steal at the expense of the public, to immediately put this information into the hands of the proper officials in order that action may be taken against them; therefore, be it

Resolved, By the common council, that we hereby call upon the said Joseph P. Carney to present in writing to the city attorney, D. W. Hoan at the earliest possible moment the names of the individuals who are by him alleged to be parties in the so-called big steal, together with definite information regarding all the definite information regarding all the immediate action he taken in the matter, the grafters caught, prosecuted to the limit and impeached in office, that the reputation of the city may be cleared from the blot which these allegations have brought upon it; and, be it further

Resolved, That the said Ald. Joseph P. Carney be given until the next regular meeting of this common council to present the facts, names and information herein required.

We Need This

For proper food inspection and other health protection, Milwaukee could employ a staff of twenty chemists, and then the service would not be adequate. The city of Cleveland, with a city chemist who has eight assistants, admits it does not have a force competent to cope with all the forms of food adulteration being practiced.

By Ald. Gorecki

Resolved, That it is the aim of the common council that the commissioner of public works reject any and all bids of any person who shall previously have wilfully or negligently failed to complete any work or contract entered into by him with city.

Every decent citizen will be glad that Ald. Carney's rabid charge against the river park purchase has been called by means of the law and that he will be forced to show to the court just what there is to his talk about "big steals." At the same time it is to be regretted that all the various and sundry creatures who have been trying with outrageous lies to injure Milwaukee's business standing cannot be forced to also face the bar of justice.

Citizens who were so sure that great things for the people might be expected from the present legislature because the Republicans ran on a radical platform of planks filched from the Social-Democrats may now look ruefully at the record thus far and thank their stars that the killing of good measures has not been any worse than it has been. That the La Folletteites voted solidly against free school books shows their true measure, and shows, too, that the individual legislators will have some embarrassing explaining to do when next they face the people and ask for their votes.

A Cute Dodge

This week, when the county board gave final notice that he was to remove to the Perles building, the judge added another cute little dodge. He issued an injunction to himself, to prevent the board from moving him or "his" furniture. This will tie up matters till the lease has expired at the Masonic building, and may enable him to saddle a new lease on the county treasury. Such personal use of the courts is certainly the limit!

The judge's talk of noise and smallness of quarters is all gammon.

Now comes the tug of war between the county's servants and the court-using judge. No one can say just yet who will win, but the county will take whatever action it can to protect the county treasury.

Who was with Judge Donovan in his election day whisky trip? Who can solve the mystery? The report that Judge Cummings was with him is said to be wrong absolutely. Who was it with Donovan and helping him influence votes with red-eye in that automobile tour of the polling precincts? Let's have some more light on "nonpartisan" judicial campaign methods.

There appear to be different versions of what Chief Clancy said to

the men assembled for promotion recently. The statement that came to us from an outside source was that he breathed defiance to the Socialists. Some who were present deny this, saying that he spoke against cliques, and made other remarks in the same strain that might have been misinterpreted.

Tax Commissioner Sebutz's plan of assessing property for taxes at full value instead of at varying percentages in varying wards has the merit of uniformity, of course. But the poor man buys his little home on time and at an over-valuation to make up for time payments, and here again the poor man will catch it and the rich man be favored. Mr. Sebutz calls himself a single taxer, but it would be more correct to call him a singular taxer. And it is also singular that it was only after the Social-Democrats were in that he raised taxes in the working class wards and gave the people the impression that it was the innocent Socialists who were responsible. Or, maybe it wasn't.

Milwaukee capitalist daily papers have again shown their hazy side in their treatment of the Carney case. Carney, in his usual dirty way, had openly charged that the river park project would be one the worst steals ever pulled off. That put every alderman in favor of the project under miserable suspicion. The district attorney very properly called Carney before Judge Neelen to question him as to whether he had any facts that would constitute the basis for proceedings against any alderman. Carney flunked, and certain Milwaukee newspapers with the use of his first page type and poisonous innuendoes flew to Carney's rescue and tried to frighten the district attorney out of doing his plain duty. It was pretty low business, we must say.

"The Menace of Socialism," and address delivered by Rev. Thomas I. Gasson, S. J., president of Boston College, in Ford hall, Boston, Feb. 5, 1911, and a reply by James F. Carey, secretary of Socialist party clubs of Massachusetts, in Faneuil hall, Feb. 27, have been issued in book form and can be obtained by sending ten cents to S. P. Clubs, 2 Park square, Boston, Mass. Both addresses, which were heard by audiences that packed every available foot of floor space in the big auditorium.



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GRAND AVENUE

Washington, with that part of its population made up of politicians, parasites and society folk, had a severe shock the other day. Those easy-going folks have for a long time hypnotized themselves into that blessed state where the misery and squalor of the poor and the wretched never bothered them. In fact, as far as they were concerned Washington was wealthy and beautiful.

But one day last week the Washington newspapers featured an interview by that man Berger, who has ideas so peculiar and insists upon making them public. Berger had visited Washington's notorious slums, accompanied by a number of reporters, and then gave his opinion of such conditions. He said:

"Honest people are housed in Washington worse than prostitutes. The alleys are a disgrace. Think of people living in such places. I shall demand that these alleys be abolished. And the expense of these improvements, I believe, should be charged to the owners of the surrounding property."

The poor of Washington live in blind alleys. Disease and death are ever in their midst. The death rate in these alleys is far worse than that of the worst slums of New York and Chicago.

The federal government is directly responsible for the conditions existing here, as Washington is governed by the president and congress. To date the plunderers of Washington managed to get all the laws passed in their favor. Naturally they were shocked and incensed by Berger's blunt remarks.

But the working class population is holding up Berger's bands. Since the publication of his interview

Berger has been congratulated by the plain and honest folk for the stand he has taken. He has endeared himself in the hearts of the disinherited in that city.

Ask Receiver for Searchlight's Publisher

A petition to appoint a receiver for the Wisconsin Printing Institute, publisher of the Searchlight, a local weekly, on the ground that it is insolvent and unable to meet its obligations, was made in circuit court Thursday by A. J. Johnson, Frederic P. Dauterman, Emil Quade, Albert C. Ewald and Charles Werner, who claim to be stockholders of the corporation. The defendants, D. C. Carr and F. D. Sullivan, have been ordered to appear before Judge W. D. Tarrant on Saturday and show cause why a receiver should not be appointed.

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